

**DISTRICT VI ADVISORY BOARD**  
**Minutes**

**Monday**  
**July 2, 2001**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Evergreen Recreation Center**  
**2700 N. Woodland**

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**Members Present**

Bickley Foster  
John Van Walleghen  
Linda Matney  
Bob Wine  
Bob Schreck  
David Pendergraft  
Rosalie Bradley  
Doratheia Sloan  
John Cohoon

**Members Absent**

Wintilio Ortiz  
Veronica Casados

**Guests**

listed at end

**Council Member Fearey** called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m. Welcoming quests and asked DAB members to introduce him or her and state what area they represented. All visitors then made their introductions.

After introductions were complete, **Council Member Fearey** asked for approval of the June 4 and 20, 2001 minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted.  
**(Schreck/Matney 9-0)**

**Council Member Fearey** then asked to approve modifies or amends to the agenda presented. *The agenda was amended to include as Item 5: Report from Bickley Foster on the Day Reporting Center (Sloan/Wine 9-0)*

**PUBLIC AGENDA**

The Public Agenda contains requests from members of the public who desire to present matters to the Board. All items will be allowed five (5) minutes of presentation time to clarify the issue, provide background information, and identify the requested action. Printed materials are encouraged.

*No issues were presented*

**PLANNING**

1. **CON2001-00034 Conditional Use to permit outdoor vehicle sales**  
*District VI Advisory Board (DAB) considered a request for a Conditional Use to permit outdoor vehicle sales. (957 N. West Street)*

The DAB Members were provided the public notice and MAPD staff comments for review.

No planner or applicant was present.

The DAB Members expressed the following concerns: 1) Neighborhood Association close to this area was very concerned with speeding cars along 9<sup>th</sup>

street; 2) This area is continually being looked at for the same type of businesses (vehicle sales); and 3) businesses change owners causing possible different types of sales to establish themselves instead of what the area was zoned for.

Recommendation: **The DAB members voted (9-0) to Disapprove the *Conditional Use* based on recommendations of staff report.** (Matney/Schreck)

### **BOARD AGENDA**

2. **Update on June 20th DAB VI complaints about no police response to calls**  
Lt. Roy Mitchell, Patrol North, was present to discuss the complaints made at the June 20<sup>th</sup> DAB meeting pertaining to police not responding to some calls. Lt. Mitchell explained that it is difficult for the officers to respond to some complaints due to policy restrictions. He also encouraged citizens to call with their complaints, as the officers may not be in the area at the time of the incidents.

#### *Responses in italics*

- ⇒ Complaint of parties at the Bowling Alley near 25<sup>th</sup> and Arkansas, the facility is not authorized to do this. The owner is only allowed to clean the facility. *The officer that was called out was not given the information about this facility. Officer Jacobs and OCI are discussing how to handle the problem. At the last party a video was taken to show, drunks breaking bottles in the parking lot, trash being thrown into the North High Soccer field and people drinking outside watching fights between participants at the party. The next time this happens, citizens are to call Patrol North and ask for a Supervisor to handle the call. If the club owner gets caught the police officer will close down the facility. This will cause the owner to have a harder time in trying to get the parking re-zoned because of his operations at an un-authorized building.*
- ⇒ Loud Parties: *This is not considered a high priority unless fights break out and is no longer contained inside the residence. There are noise ordinances (outside of 50 ft) and the neighbor has to sign a complaint for officers to go and respond. Usually the person with the loud music sees the officers arrive and turns down the volume and then there is no violation.*
- ⇒ Neighbors afraid of retaliation if they call Police and complain about issues: *You can contact Patrol North, possible if the police calls are not busy, an officer could drive by and view the complaint.*
- ⇒ Illegal parking: *If this turns into large numbers of people outside and parking on the yards, this moves up the priority list. Call Patrol North and ask to speak to a Supervisor.*
- ⇒ Dumping Trash: *Try to get license number of vehicle or take pictures of the trash dumping if this continues.*
- ⇒ Illegal Fireworks: *The officer has to see who is shooting the fireworks.*

Action taken: Receive and file

3. **Problem Properties**

- 759 N. Sheridan: trash on front porch and lots of junk.

**Member Foster** proceeded to discuss the amounts of trash that Wichita has. He stated on the Mayor's campaign for cleaning up the City. There are signs on street corners everywhere. The sign's that have 800 numbers is answered by a machine (no human being) and ask for your address to mail you literature or your credit card number. This is getting out of hand, and at least every Monday he sees 200 signs that have been put out.

Randy Sparkman, Zoning Inspector, stated that Inspectors do a surprise effect periodically to pick up signs. The sign code is being looked at by the Law Department to allow more than just the Inspectors to pick up signs. Possibly everyone in City vehicles will be allowed to pick up signs. Also, Randy will be talking to the Wichita Eagle pertaining to Garage Sale signs. If a resident wants to turn someone in putting up a sign, then that resident will be responsible for going to court as a witness. There is usually not much follow-through by the resident.

Action taken: Receive and follow up with appropriate departments.

4. **Updates on Previous Issues**

Newsletter was handed out to report previous DAB issues, updates from City Council, updates on problem properties and other pertinent information. The quarterly newsletter will be mailed to the Neighborhood Associations that do not have representation on the DAB. **Council Member Fearey** asked DAB members to follow-up with the neighborhoods who sponsored them in the DAB selection process and keep the neighborhoods informed of information from the newsletter.

5. **Day Reporting Center (DRC) Update**

**Member Foster** has been keeping close watch on the events taking place on the Day Reporting Center and will give a brief update.

- 1500 signatures were collected to keep the DRC out of Twin Lakes shopping center.
- Alternative Correctional Housing Board to develop standards for the DRC.
- New Ordinance to be approved by City Council for the DRC.
- City Council to look closer at sex offenders and the locations to place them.

**Member Schreck** commented that there were only two DAB members that attended the Master Plan on Tourism brainstorming. Also, a letter would be written from the Moorings HOA stating that the HOA would be willing to allow the landfill to remain operational for two more years. There will be a meeting July 30<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the topic further

Member Sloan stated she would be contacting Paul Gunzelman, Traffic Engineer to discuss the car sales lot near Womer and her concerns with the Kwik Shop. *Paul Gunzelman notified neighborhood assistant that he would be doing a traffic study near the area of 37<sup>th</sup> and Womer when school begins and also will observe traffic when church lets out on Sundays.*

*Mr. Jerry Prichard* asked about a zoning case located near 13<sup>th</sup> and Perry, east of Bill Bachman, on the north side between the two rivers.  
Council Member Fearey stated that if this happens the neighborhood association president would be notified ahead of time.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A) July 18th meeting: Discussion from Deputy Chief Steve Cole on Community Policing
- B) September Labor Day Holiday on first Monday of month. When do we want to have the September meeting? Wednesday September 5<sup>th</sup> will be when DAB VI will officially meet.
- C) Gun Buy Back on Saturday, August 4, 2001 from 8am-1pm at Family Services Institute 1631 East 17<sup>th</sup> Street.

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Dozal  
District VI Neighborhood Assistant

#### **GUESTS**

Lt. Roy Mitchell	WPD, Patrol North
Ken Thomas	2300 N. Broadway, P.O.Box 4047, 67204
Officer W. Jacobs	WPD, Patrol North
Jerry Prichard	1607 N. Clarence, 67203
Lester McGuire	2926 Porter, 67204-5027
Merl and Bonnie Hollis	2307 N. McLean Blvd. 67204
Christina Woods	Wichita Eagle reporter